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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : David Koellisch  
Serial No. : 09/973,201  
Filing Date : October 9, 2001  
For : AN INTERMEDIATE  
STEERING COLUMN  
Group Art Unit : 3682  
Examiner : Julie Knecht Smith  
Attorney Docket No. : TRW(RG) 5742  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114-1400

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 18, 2002,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1, as follows:

1. (Amended) An intermediate steering column for a  
vehicle having a firewall, said intermediate steering column  
comprising:

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